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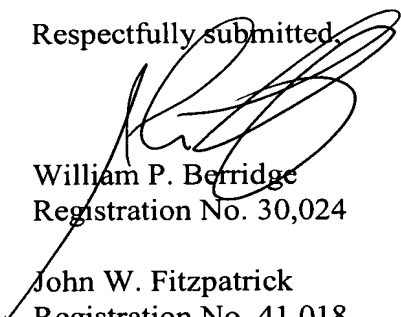
Claims 1-12 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1-12 are amended. No new matter is added.

Claims 1-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Specific features in a number of the rejected claims are identified as being indefinite and/or failing to have antecedent basis. As the claims are amended in response to the rejection, withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-12 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claim 1-12 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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